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We Have the Inside Track,

and we are doing our level best to keep it. We have now the largest, most complete and well lighted clothing store in the province. We have the largest stock of the best Clothing, Furnishings and Furs, "the finest goods, mind you" to be found in the market. We have the inside track and we are making particularly fast time especially with our Furs and heavy cloth Overcoats, they're breaking the record all to pieces. Why? because for cheapness they are unapproachable. They are offered at just about 40 per cent. of their actual value, and they take as big a lead in the matter of quality as in price. We want you to visit the New Boston. We want to make it worth your while to try us once, then you'll try us always, and first. Do you need an Overcoat either cloth or fur, and a fur Cap? Think of this a heavy double-breasted all wool Overcoat with storm collar, frogs and loops for \$5.25, grand value at \$10. Genuine South Sea Seal and Cape sold everywhere at \$15, our price \$7.50, \$15 and \$16.50 gray Goat Coats, our price \$11. Black Sebisski, Lamb, and Dog Hindoo Buffalo, American Buffalo, Himalaya Bison and Raccoon Coats at prices that make them disappear like few drops on a June morning. It is a vision of the castle of economy to visit our big new store, bright with the sunshine, and dazzling bargains; to be picked up like apples in an orchard.

MILLER & CO.
NEW BOSTON.

THE - BEST - INVESTMENT

We have paid special attention this year in selecting our

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

Quality and Prices has been our special aim, we have therefore purchased from Leading Eastern Houses the Best Assortment of

AND

IRON AND MECHANICAL TOYS

ever shown in Brandon--and we are selling them at PRICES that will allow every one to take advantage of.

WHERE

In Our New Store

we are showing great varieties in

Plush, Silver, Oxidized and Celluloid Goods, Dolls, Toys, Games Puzzles, Sleighs &c.

IT

You are losing a good investment if you don't buy your

CHRISTMAS GOODS

AT

Van Buskirk's,
NEW BOOKSTORE.

Corner 9th Street and Rosser.

Public Meeting.

The mayor said he had been asked by a large number of the leading ratepayers to call a public meeting to discuss civic affairs. This he had done, and had named this evening as the time at which it was to take place. He was glad to see such a representative meeting. He then vacated the chair.

Mr. W. A. Macdonald—Ald. Coldwell—That Dr. McDermid take the chair.

Carried with great applause.

Several gentlemen were nominated for secretary but all had reasons of their own for declining it. At last Mr. McMillan, City Treasurer, was appointed and kindly accepted.

The mayor gave a short resume of the work done by the council. Many large expenses had been entailed on the city during the last year, but it was to be hoped that the benefits that would accrue from them would more than counterbalance the expense.

The contractors had failed in completing their contracts in October owing to the lack of men. The Sewer contractor has 10,000 feet yet to lay.

Dr. Macdonald called upon Ald. Merritt or Dr. Spence to give an account of what they had done.

Ald. Merritt being absent Dr. Spence responded. He said he had very little to say, he held no very important position. There were Ald. present, particularly Ald. Coldwell, who would be able to give the meeting important information. He would call attention to the fact that they had done the Scavenger work well and that they had looked after the houses in ext.

Ald. Coldwell was then called on. He said that the ratepayers should take an interest in their council. Public opinion should always be interested in civic affairs or all others of a public nature. It is necessary always to elect the best men in the city. It is a mistake not to have the leading citizens looking after civic affairs. In reading an article from an American magazine he had been attracted by some words written by the Right Hon. Joe Chamberlain. He called particular attention to the city of Birmingham. Mr. Chamberlain had sat as a member of the council for that city and men of the calibre of Mr. Chamberlain were proud to take these positions. It was lamentable the apathy of the leading citizens on this side of water in matters pertaining to city government.

In the Old Country things were totally different and what was the consequence, the best civic government was to be found there.

The leading idea there was that munici-

pal affairs resemble a joint stock company in which every citizen is a shareholder.

Their fees consist in the grati-

ty of their fellow citizens. Those who have large amounts invested in the city should be representatives in the council.

It is to be hoped that the coming coun-

cil will be chosen from men of this class.

The council had this year undertaken two great works, the water works and sewers. He was afraid the waterworks would bring some burden on the council.

He called particular attention to the quarterly bills to pay.

In the case of the Board of Works the amount for this year is larger

than what it was last year, the taxes for

which are levied directly on the citizens.

Municipal Commissioners tax is double

what it was last year because the sinking fund has not been levied.

The school esti-

mates have jumped from \$12,000 to

\$22,000 as put in by the School Board.

The amount of \$18,000 was granted.

There was quite a difference between the School

and Ald. Coldwell and City Treasurer

McMillan taking this part of the council

was afraid the waterworks

he had not come prepared to make a

statement in regard to the School Board.

He suppressed the meeting had been called

to discuss civic affairs. Mr. Christie, who

was chairman of the Board, was away.

H. (Alderman) Hanbury) was Chairman of

the Building Committee and he was

proud to say they had built a school

second to none in the province. The

matter of the estimates was entirely out

of his department. He was returning

from the Council, and agreed with Mr.

Coldwell in hoping that good and reliable

men would be elected on the next.

Ex-Mayor Adams said he thought the

present meeting was the most representa-

tive meeting he had ever seen in Bran-

dton. It was for the purpose of discuss-

ing the dings of the Council; but if we

were members of that body perhaps we

could do much better. He thought

that the meeting should at once re-

solve itself into a committee and choose

responsible citizens to represent the dif-

ferent wards. Nominations were to

be made at the meeting.

The time was short. The city

of Brandon was what her citizens made

it. It was a mistake to suppose that

agriculture alone was going to support it.

He was glad to say that some enterprising

business men had subscribed \$40,000 for a rolling mill, and other industries

were being started.

Mr. White, of the Sun, said of the old

question of the school that the Board

had no right to hand the Council an un-

timed account. He supported the

School Board in their action with the

Council.

Mr. Clift asked Mr. Coldwell what was

the limit of the assessment.

Mr. Coldwell—Controllable up to ten

to 15,000,000 to amount to any amount.

Mr. Clift of the Mail, was then called

upon. He said—We are set to face

with a debt of \$500,000, which means a

debt of \$100 per capita for every man,

woman and child in Brandon. Caution

on the part of the Council for the next

few years is more than ever necessary.

As had been stated, we must try and es-

tablish industries. It had been motioned

that the City Council was to be approach-

ed in regard to a water power. This

might be a good thing by bringing indus-

tries and manufactures. That might employ a large number of men. An expenditure was advisable where there was a good possibility of a return. We must either retrograde or advance. Some of the expenditure has not been judicious. In regard to the City Hall, it was a pity it had been built at an expenditure of \$55,000 till later on. He had heard that great things had been expected of it in regard to rents, etc., but he did not think a return was made of over 1 per cent.

Alderman Coldwell spoke in great praise of the Mayor, Dr. McDermid. Ex-Alderman Gibson the same.

The following was agreed to by the meeting, amid much applause—"That this meeting begat Mayor McDermid will allow himself to be nominated to fill the chair.

The Mayor expressed his thanks for the honor done him, and said he was very proud of the confidence reposed in him.

The meeting shortly afterwards adjourned.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

Present—Hanbury, Darrach, Sherriff, White, McLeod and Thompson.

Sherriff—Darrach—That Mr. Hanbury take the chair."

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The following accounts were recommended to be paid:

Smead Dow Furnace Co., heating school..... \$000.00

Eleven cords of wood at \$3.75..... 41.75

Silver Burdett Co..... 9.15

Sinclair & Co., two cords wood..... 8.50

Hellyard & Co., three cars coal..... 561.75

McDonald..... 2.00

David Place..... 29.00

Mr. W. P. Argue..... 90

Brandon Mail, to be paid when certified to or orders attached..... 10.45

McLride & Lane..... 69.00

"..... 22.50

Wilson & Smyth..... 215.60

Miller & Patterson..... 48.00

Frank Miller..... 13.56

Fleming & Co..... 8.00

McLride & Lane..... 75.00

"..... 11.00

"..... 31.96

Mr. Shillinglaw, balance..... 250.00

Wells Plumbing Co.'s account..... 425.00

Insurance, West Ward school..... 49.30

National School Furnishing Co., physical laboratory..... 169.30

Robbins & Co., physical labora-

..... 32.97

Some discussion took place in regard to the heating of the central school. Mr. Hanbury felt sure that the Board would find wood cheaper than coal. Mr. Darrach said there was no saving in allowing a coal fire to go out and re-lighting in the morning. In regard to Dr. MacDonald's bill, the Board decided that the principal should be notified by the teacher and that he should exercise his own judgment in calling a doctor.

White—McLeod—That Mr. Thomas

Thompson be authorized to sign cheques during the absence of the Chairman.—Carried.

Several communications were read, among them the following:—From Mr. Lees, asking to be made inspector. It was resolved that Mr. Lee be written to and informed that the Board had no power to appoint as inspector, and that they could hold out no hopes of such an appointment, as it would most probably be given to a provincial man.

From Miss Hooper, saying she was unable to present to receive her position but would like to accept a teachership after the holidays if a vacancy occurs.

A communication was read from the Advisory Board, stating that at a late meeting a resolution had been passed making it unnecessary to have a separate building for use as a collegiate institute.

Mr. McIntyre wrote for the position of master of the high school at a salary of \$1,200 a year. Mr. Wilson, principal of the con-ec school, highly recommends Mr. McIntyre.

After the discussion of some unimportant matters the Board adjourned.

RAPID CITY.

R. E. McGregor is spoken of as Mayor for the ensuing year.

David McNaught, M.P.P., and wife have returned from Ontario.

The several Sunday schools are preparing for their usual Christmas festivities.

Miss Wilson, of Sherbourne, Ont., has been engaged as a teacher in the public school.

Phil Coffin has had a short illness, but is now again around.

Mr. Gregory, I.O.O.F. instructor, has been here on business connected with the Rapid City Lodge.

In consequence of the blowing out of the cylinder head of the engine the mills of Geo. McCulloch & Co. are closed down for a short time.

About forty members of the Oddfellows lodge chartered a team to Minnedosa and back, and attended concert in Minnedosa given by the Oddfellows of that town.

Invitations will shortly be issued for a dinner banquet to be held on the 23rd inst.

The "old timers" are enthusiastic and a successfull affair is confidently ex-

pected.

A bill given in the Masonic hall by a

few of our town ladies last week was a

success. About thirty couples were present. The hall was beautifully decorated, the band in fine trim, and the ladies most fascinating. Dancing was kept up till about two o'clock.

BIRTH.

LEECH—On Sunday, the 4th inst., the

wife of R. E. A. Leech, of a daughter.

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CUT TO PIECES.

--- Wholesale Cost Drops out of Sight. ---

Slaughtering Sale of Furs, Clothing, Carpets and General Dry Goods.

This is nothing but a downfall of prices to reduce our enormous stock of above goods. Goods must go, a genuine clearing sale. A grand opportunity for the public. Fur Boas, Fur Coats, Fur Caps, Fur Mitts, Fur Collars, Fur Collars, Fur Capes, Fur Muffs, Mantles and Mantle Cloths, Blankets, Comforters and Carpets at almost your own price. This could be another sale long to be remembered for great bargains of seasonable goods. This will be a great loss to us, but first loss the best, unfortunately we are overstocked and will not carry the goods over if sacrificing in prices will sell them.

Remember the Place, the Big Clearing Sale Sign.

THE LEADING HOUSE.

I. R. Strome & Co.

P.S.—Furnished house to rent.

THE COMING FARMER.

Progressive and successful farmers of the present day do not depend solely upon their strength, their muscular activity, and those of their men, but very rightly bring to bear upon their work careful thought, the best mechanical contrivances for lessening labor, and the knowledge that others have won from nature regarding the composition of the food of plants and animals, and the laws which govern their growth and propagation.

It is now longer possible to be ignorant of the nature and relative values of the things with which farmers have to do, if success is to attend results.

In these days when the large market

places may be said to be open to the pro-

duction of the world, when competition

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ALEXANDER.

The ball given by the Alexander Foot-ball club was a grand success, about 500 people were in attendance. Dancing was kept up till 12:30, when a sumptuous supper was served at the Hotel Grande View, after which dancing was again indulged in till the medium hours in the morning. It will be remembered that the club were champions of the Western League, Souris taking second place.

The concert given by the scholars of the Alexander school district was also a success, under the instruction of Mr. Robinson, the teacher. The different parts taken by the children showed great skill and patience in training. Fomar's Hall was full to the door, and one and all say it was the best concert ever given in Alexander. The money received from sale of tickets amounted to \$300, and is to be used for school decorations. They expect to occupy their new school, which is the best country school west of Winnipeg, in about a week. The cost, when complete, will be \$4,500. Jim White, of Alexander, is the contractor.

Messrs. Fairchild & Lundy were here a short time since trying their patent self-feeder for threshing machines. They tried their attachment to Kennedy & Millar's machine at E. A. Osgood's farm, adjoining the village. The trial was a grand success, so much so that Messrs. Kennedy & Millar purchased the attachment. Mr. Lundy, the patentee, was here to see the trial. It shows great economy on his part. It cuts the bands and feeds with greater rapidity and more steadily than a man can do, besides saving the wages of two men, and also saving the loss of arms and other members.

The tax sale came off on the 26th ult., G. M. Venner, trustee, acting as auctioneer. Considerable farm property was sold and the sale discontinued for a month. Mr. Tupper was here on behalf of the Northwest Land Company to negotiate against the company's lands being sold. The Council think they should pay these taxes the same as other people, All the farm property offered was sold.

A new store has been opened out by Mr. Alexander, under the title of the Alexander Store Company, with Thos. H. Bailey, Jas. W. & P. Dickson as managers. They intend carrying a full line of groceries, provisions, dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, etc.

Wheat has been moving freely, prices ranging from \$5.00 to \$5.50. Considerable threshing has been done. To any person having wheat for sale Alexander affords a good market. The decrease in the wheat market is due to the price in New Mexico.

There is every prospect of a heavy building season here next year if every person put in motion what he says in words. We have a lively town; but there's few things we want, one of which is a doctor.

Alexander Post Office has moved into town from its location for the winter, and is now occupying room for Messrs. Alexander, Kelley & Co., of Brandon.

WHITEWOOD.

Large numbers of buffalo horns, beautifully polished and mounted, have been brought in by the Indians.

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A carload of Ontario apples has been disposed of here at \$4.50 per bushel, delivered. The quality is very fair for about four inches at both ends of the barrels, and the rest are windfalls or scrubs. This is an indication on honest shippers and packers in the east and should be looked to.

Wheat has been coming in very slowly, only a few cars having been shipped. Most of that marketed has been graded No. 2. Some was rejected owing to smut.

METHVEN.

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The people of this community spent a very enjoyable time at Jas. Dwyer's social, held in aid of the Fairbank Sunday school.

The weather has been rather soft and stormy for outdoor work, consequently very little wheat has been brought in, prices remaining unchanged at \$5.00 to \$5.25 for No. 1 bread.

Certain wheat buyers, not many miles from here, have been pulled over the coals as the farmers lately in a season of deficit in weight. Some of the farmers claim that as much as ten bushels have been taken off a load of fifty bushels. This is a remarkable state of affairs.

It is reported that the Canadian Pacific railway can a passenger service from Dec. 1st. This, if true, will be a great convenience, as the price was very poor, the train seldom going in before eleven and never after nine p.m.

The biggest record in bear killing in any part of British Columbia, so far as heard from this season, has been made by a nineteen-year-old boy named Marcus Cox, son of a Silver Creek settler of that name. Cox has killed fourteen bears. He has been sick and without assistance for some time past, having been ill with a severe attack of silver creek, extending to the heart, and has been unable to hunt. The editorial suggests that Hon. Edward Blake, who, like Russell, is a Protestant, might advantageously be raised to the leadership. Blake is, it is claimed, easily the ablest man in the Irish ranks at present available.

ELK ARE PLENTIFUL.

Treherne, Nov. 28.—A beautiful heavy fall of snow visited our district last week and once more the merry sleigh-bells jingle. Many farmers are busily employed procuring timber to supply next year's demand.

Elk have been very plentiful this season and many have fallen victims to the Winchesters. So far, Clare Metcalfe carries the palm, capturing two fine deer in one day's ramble.

On Sunday last the new Methodist church was dedicated to the service of God. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Henderson, pastor of Zion church Winnipeg.

Our new school was opened to day and many a little urchin rejoices over his new seat. The building is a credit to the town and no doubt good work will be done to be used for school decorations. They expect to occupy their new school, which is the best country school west of Winnipeg, in about a week. The cost, when complete, will be \$4,500. Jim White, of Alexander, is the contractor.

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STILL ALIVE.

Alive but not still. Alive to the wants of the people. In connection with the Wheat City Bakery, 9th Street, I have opened a First Class Pastry and Confectionery on Rosser Avenue, next door to N. J. Halpin's new Drug-store where a first-class line of Confectionery. Cakes, Pastry and Fancy Bread will always be kept in stock; a line of Goods that cannot be excelled between the two Oceans, as we use nothing in the manufacture of our Pastry that cannot be used upon the table and relished by the most fastidious. Catering for Wedding breakfasts, Balls and Suppers, Bride and Groom Cakes, etc., is our speciality. Orders for any of the above will have my special attention. Understanding my profession and using first-class material I can give entire satisfaction to those entrusting me with first-class work. We also keep a full line of candies, manufactured on the premises. Inspection invited. No trouble to let the people see what we have to sell. Special attention given to orders sent by mail. Give me a call.

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BRANDON MAIL.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1892.

It is now presumed the argument on the petitions of the minority in the Manitoba school case will be heard by the Ottawa Cabinet in about a month; and it is alleged the Manitoba Government will be asked to send down a representative. If the Local Government is wise, it will pay no attention to the request. As we can see this matter, the present Government made a serious blunder in ever entertaining a proposition to give these petitions a hearing. If it is a fact there is nothing new or different from what the Privy Council heard, then there is nothing to consider; or if, again, the minority have made any new discoveries, then the Federal Government ought to employ its efforts to have the Privy Council in England re-consider the case. They are the highest authority in the matter, and nothing short of their qualified conclusions can give the people of Manitoba anything like general satisfaction.

STOP MY PAPER.

Mr. W. F. Irwin called at the "MAIL" office the other day, paid up his arrears to the paper, and ordered his number discontinued. In the ordinary course of things people have a perfect right to order and discontinue papers as they think proper, freed from comment; but as this is an exceptional case a few words of comment are not only not out of place but actually necessary. Mr. Irwin is a prominent employee of the Massey-Harris implement combination, and the cause of his displeasure, was not the editorial stand we take on public matters, but the appearance in our columns of an essay read at a re-meeting of the Brandon Farmers' Institute entitled "How best to overcome the present agricultural depression." The tenor of that article may be sense or it may be nonsense; but as it was expressive of the views of a large and important element of the population of the country, it is a spirit of despotism that would prevent its appearance in print. If Mr. Irwin on his own personal responsibility desires to choke off all consideration of such subjects by the farmers his employers should be advised of the fact; or if it is a fact in such an effort he is but carrying out the wishes of his employers must be held responsible by the farmers. We have every reason to believe that to the present the Massey-Harris Co. have done well, considering the circumstances by the farmers of Manitoba, but presumably doing well for themselves in the meantime. But even this is not a cause for choking off discussion and full consideration of all such subjects, they being of special importance to the country. If, however, by a changed state of things the interests of the farmers can be bettered the "MAIL" is prepared to support that change, even if by doing so it falls under the ban of all the manufacturers in Canada and their employees no matter how good the latter may be.

In publishing the article that has proved so offensive to Mr. Irwin, we expressed no opinion on its merits or demerits, on its sense or nonsense, but merely did an act of courtesy that any respectable paper should do for any respectable body of men—give it space—and see if we can not by doing acts of ordinary courtesy retain the pleasure of Mr. Irwin and gentlemen like him, we will have henceforth to do without their \$1.50 per year, and trust to you for the deficiency. As a public print, the "MAIL" opens its columns to the full and free discussion of every feature of every subject that is of interest to every section of the community. It then appears to us that Mr. Irwin, if he is convinced of the absurdity of the ground taken by the writer of that article or his conclusions, could have done to public a much greater service by correcting the absurdity and the conclusions of the writer in a newspaper article of his own, than he can hope to do by cutting off his subscription to a newspaper. By writing the article he might have set the whole farming community a-thinking, but by cutting off his paper, he cannot hope to destroy the vehicle for agricultural thought, and all good citizens say the wisest act is "the greatest good to the greatest possible number."

LOWER DUTIES.

It is quite apparent to the careful observer that the trend of public opinion in Canada on the trade question is in favor of a reduction of the tariff. The National policy has served Canada faithfully and well, and may yet be continued with good service to the country in a modified form. To say that all the reductions on the tariff will be of service to those that may not only desire them but agitate for them, is saying more than the facts will warrant; but that does not change the fact that lower duties are desired. As a general thing, with trade sentiment it is found the world over, a tariff that meets the demands on the treasury of any country is not a wise one. We find that in Canada for many years after con-

federation; and the trend of sentiment is to return to it again with modifications to suit the altered circumstances of the country.

Those of our industries that were established shortly after the inception of the N. P. ought now to be strong enough to withstand outside competition, with a reasonable tariff, one of say 20 per cent., and no interest would be well served by a further reduction.

In Manitoba and the territories, for instance, the great cry is for low duties on agricultural implements. They may be reduced with a good effect to the agriculturist, and without destroying wholly the profits of the eastern manufacturer; but if made very low they would prove disastrous to both. For instance, as the tariff stands, it does not pay the American to send anything but the best implements they make into this country, as the tariff is virtually as high on poor goods as upon good ones. If, then, the poor ones come in they would be expensive when laid down, and would of course fall in competition with the Canadian product. In such event the Canadian manufacturer would be treated badly in having his average machine displaced by the poorest product of his American competitor, and the Manitoba farmer would be the loser all round.

One will say that in such case the American manufacturer would also suffer in having his goods eventually driven out of the market. That is true; but the removal would not take place until the Canadian manufacturers were not only hampered, but perhaps ruined, and the farmers were taught a lesson by sad experience. A fair duty would, however, still keep out the inferior American article; and it would afford ample protection on a legitimate basis for Canadian competition, which is all the home people should desire.

A GREENWAYITE AND ITS NEW DISCOVERY.

The Winnipeg Tribune is one of those prints that grow very wise sometimes, and that, too, without any apparent source of supply. The Toronto Globe in a late issue announced the following as the newly discovered platform of the Federal "Liberal leaders"; that is to do duty in next general elections, and it has the undoubted support of the Tribune.

1. A sweeping reduction of the tariff looking towards free trade and a wide reciprocity arrangement with the United States.

2. The right to make our own commercial treaties.

3. The introduction of the principle involved in the inter-state commerce law.

4. No "better terms" arrangements for the provinces.

5. The ballot for the Northwest.

6. The right of appeal to the courts against attempted gerrymanders of the constituencies.

Now here is how these planks are endorsed by the Greenwayite:

For our part we are fully prepared to subscribe to the principal articles of this declaration of political faith, and we believe that they will prove acceptable to the electors of this province and the territories.

"A sweeping reduction in the tariff," whatever that may mean, will now suit the print, though about a year and a half ago nothing would do but "unrestricted reciprocity." Finding that one egg will not hatch, the spirit of the Tribune and its friends is to try another, without having the slightest knowledge of the soundness of either. The idea is to flounder about in the dark, with the hope of striking bottom somewhere.

Further on the print says our trade never increased so rapidly as it did under fifteen per cent tariff; and yet it supports without any wryness of face the party that was the first to change it and make no advance. Is it not strange that if a fifteen per cent was just the thing for the country, the Tribune has not a word of condemnation of Sir Richard Cartwright for making the first advance on that rate in 1876? Why is it thus?

The right to make our own commercial treaties is a very harmless assertion, as of late years no treaty has been made by Great Britain affecting our interests, without our having a representation on the Treaty making board watching our interests fully.

Clause "3" is also a very harmless projection, as it is one that has not yet been opposed by either party for the reason it has never yet been fully considered in the House.

Clause "4" is something new. There is now to be no better terms for even Manitoba, though all along it was to receive the public lands or the receipts therefrom.

Clause "5" would work wonders up west no doubt, if that is all the Grit candidates had the same convenient agents that Mr. Smart had in the late Brandon election. If then the people would not vote for the Grit candidates, the agents could make them do it by stuffing the boxes as the celebrated Lalumine did in a Quebec division, and as Mr. Smart's friends did in Brandon.

If an appeal to the courts against a gerrymander is a good thing at Ottawa, why did not the Tribune advocate its incorporation last session in the Man-

ITO Act, so that some of the anomalies of the Local election act could have been exchanged. The present Act is supposed to give Manitoba rep. by pop., and yet two out townships have been tacked on to Brandon City, and geographically speaking detached from South Brandon, though without them Brandon City would still have double the population of the constituency to the South. If the Tribune wants to show the country there is a sprinkling of honesty and sincerity in its utterances, it ought to employ them first where they are supposed to have some influence. This thing of barking up a tree from which game cannot be peeled, while game is allowed to escape at the bottom, is not a very sensible employment, to say the least of it.

MISSIONARY CONCERT.

The Baptist Church, on Thursday evening last, had a very large audience, in consequence of the announcement that a missionary concert was to take place. Mr. Robert Darrach was the chairman, and filled the position to the satisfaction of all present. A programme consisting of vocal and instrumental music, readings and recitations was exceptionally well rendered. Miss Sinclair, art teacher at the Academy, read an excellent paper on "Missions" in first-class style. Mr. Davidson, of the Imperial Bank, in a picado solo, accompanied by his sister on the organ, was greatly appreciated; and Mr. McMillan, for his banjo and mouth-organ duets, was deservedly ap-

R. T. OF T.

At the regular meeting of the R. T. of T. on Tuesday evening, the officers for the ensuing term were elected. The following are the names also their respective offices:

S. C. Bro. Morton.
V. C. Sister McMurray.
P. C. Bro. F. Taylor.
Chap. Bro. Stevens.
R. S. Bro. Sanford.
F. S. Bro. Gowdy.
Treas. Sister Hornbrook.
Herald. Bro. Bell.
Guard. Sister Brooks.
Sentinel. Bro. Taylor Hannay.

Bro. Morton was appointed representative to the Grand Council and Bro. F. Taylor as alternate representative. Seven new members were initiated into the order.

BOW TO MAKE MONEY.

The easiest way to make money is by saving it in purchases; and as there is considerable purchasing in the line of presents at this season of the year, the public may save a considerable pile by purchasing at the Mail Bookstore, opposite Whitehall's West End Grocery, Dely & Caldwell's new block, Ross Ave. We have annuals and illustrated papers of every description; plush goods too numerous to name; books for the million; fancy crockery to suit every taste; Christmas and New Year cards of every design; and toys, games, &c., to no end. The only way is to give us a call, look through the stock and note prices; and if you are not satisfied with the heavy discounts, then all we have to say is, you cannot be pleased in Manitoba. We want to sell you.

MEETING OF LEGISLATURE.

Several members of the Legislature have been in townizing, it is said, an early session of the house. Last session was held until March, and this time to members to a great deal of inconvenience and loss, consequently they desire an earlier date. These members have been assured that the house will be called together at the latter end of January at the latest, and one member said in the hearing of a Free Press reporter on Saturday that he had been given to understand that immediately upon the return of Premier Greenway from the World's Fair he would announce the opening of the session for Thursday, Jan. 26.

CITY COUNCIL.

Present, the Mayor, and Aldermen Caldwell, Cameron, Spencer and Merritt. Rules suspended. The following reports were read:

Report of Committee of Finance and Assessment—Carried.
Report of Committee of Water Works and Sewers—Carried.

Report of Committee on Fire, Water, and Light—Carried.

Caldwell—Spencer—That the report of the Finance Committee be amended, and that the Brandon Board of Trade be paid their account of \$400. The Mayor took exception to this; but finally it was carried.

Council adjourned.

NOMINATION FOR MAYOR ALDERMAN, AND SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

On Tuesday last the Civic Nominations took place between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock.

Major McDermid was re-elected by acclamation.

WARD I.

Aldermen—John Keeley, 1 year, Alex Trotter, 2 years, acclamation.
School Trustees—Rev. J. Mason, E. Evans, —a contest.

WARD II.

Aldermen—D. A. Reesor, P. E. Durst—a contest.
School Trustees—J. B. McLeod, —a contest.

WARD III.

Aldermen—H. R. Cameron, 2 years, acclamation. Thos. Towers, J. Patterson, —a contest.

WARD IV.

Aldermen—N. J. Halpin, Jas. Harrison, —a contest.
School Trustee—Robt. Darrach—a contest.

POLING PLACES.

Ward I—Stclair & Cos., 6th st.
Ward II—Council Chambers.
Ward III—i.e., Fasslers' Bower are.
Ward IV—Sun Office, 12th street.

MELITA.

The skating rink is now open.

A by-law to raise \$6,000 for school purposes has received its first and second reading by the trustees. The electors will now be called upon to vote on it.

Miss Atchison, who has been teaching in the public school here for some time has lately sent in her resignation which has been accepted by the trustees. A Miss Slater is spoken of as successor.

AN ELEVATOR BURNED.

VINCENT, Dec. 5.—Ogilvie's elevator, one of the best of the company's elevators in Manitoba, was totally destroyed by fire this evening, together with all the machinery and contents, the latter including about 20,000 bushels of wheat. All of this wheat belonged to the company, with the exception of a couple of thousand bushels stored by private parties. The fire started in the roof of the engine house, at five o'clock, and was communicated by means of the driving belt to the roof of the elevator proper, and soon the whole structure was a mass of flames and nothing could be saved. The total loss is estimated at about \$30,000, a third of which is on the grain and the balance being on the building and the machinery. It is said here that the loss is fully covered by insurance.

SLIPPER WALKING.

A curious incident of sleep walking occurred on the west-bound train last Thursday. A passenger who was riding in a colonist sleeper got out of his berth as the train left Fleming station, walked quietly forward and went out of the front door of the coach. His fellow passengers thought nothing of it at the time, thinking he had gone forward for some purpose. Ere the train reached Moosomin, however, they found he was not on board. He had walked in his sleep off the cars, the train at the time going full speed. The snow luckily broke his fall and he received no very serious injuries, except some cuts on the face. When he realized the situation he was standing on the track, but without having the slightest conception of the direction in which his destination (Vancouver) lay. By good luck he saw the light at Fleming, to which place he immediately made his way. The agent there made the case known at Moosomin, where the train had arrived. His effects were left there, and the following day he proceeded on his journey west.

A LADY AND A LYNN.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 28.—On Sunday evening last the daughter of one of our early settlers had a most uncomfortable and thrilling experience. Going along after dark to visit a neighbor whose house lay a hundred yards or so away, she missed the trail in the deep snow, and, for the moment, became lost in some thick scrub which divided the two houses. While trying to find the way out she was startled by hearing a grunting noise on a branch of a tree near, and looking round quickly perceived two gleaming eyes glaring at her and on a level with her face. She tried to scream out, but her voice failed her, and she couldn't utter a sound. From her description the eyes evidently belonged to a large lynx, wild cat, and the brute was crouching down in the attitude of making a spring. Getting home the best way she could she arrived in a most intensely agitated state, and even when safe in the house could not dispel the horrible look of these two eyes from her imagination. A hunt will be made for the brute, and if captured it will suffer a cruel fate.

THE CATTLE EMBARGO.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—Gardiner, chairman of the board of agriculture, has been placed on behalf of the Government that the restriction recently imposed upon Canadian cattle imported in a Great Britain and Ireland will remain as soon as Canada has proved beyond a doubt that the Dominion is free of pleuropneumonia. The high commission has communicated with the Dominion authorities to have the necessary inspection made and proof of the country's immunity from the disease forwarded to London. Meanwhile those interested in the Canadian cattle trade, particularly in Scotland, are keeping up the agitation to have the schedule against the Canadian cattle at once removed, maintaining that no cases of pleuropneumonia were found to have existed in any imported Canadian cattle. The owners of the imported cattle trade are not, however, idle. They are forming clubs which are now meeting and urging the board of agriculture to secure the passage of an act requiring that all foreign stock be slaughtered at the point of landing, wherever contagious disease is reported to exist in the country from which they are reported or not. The Scotch Breeders association, the Smithfield club and other agricultural bodies are sharing in this movement.

INDIA'S MILLIONS.

The population of the Indian empire has risen within the memory of the present generation from 22,000,000 to 30,000,000. It has been increasing at the rate of 2,500,000 annually, and is now increasing at the rate of 3,000,000. No large number of us will consider it likely to exceed 300,000,000 at the end of the century now drawing to a close. Even in the event of a decided check from these causes there will be very soon over the 300,000,000. This augmentation is coincident with a growth in means and resources of livelihood and in material prosperity of all kinds. The exportation of food grains in vast quantities continues. The average of population in the Indian empire is very moderate.

For all that, the density in some parts is considerable and in other parts too great. On the other hand, there is a large quantity of cultivable land unused, the extent of which, according to the Fortnightly Review, can be fully known by experience alone. Further, the existing cultivation can be made more and more productive by agricultural science, by development of irrigation in detail, and by improved appliances for industry. On the whole, there is fair reason to hope that the magnificent areas of land will be able to sustain its people, and that the accession of ten millions, decade after decade, under the best rule may be welcomed without an afterthought.

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20.00	"	Russian	"	"	15.00
25.00	"	P. Lamb	"	"	17.00
20.00	"	Blk Opp	"	"	14.00
20.00	"	Coon	"	"	14.00
10.00	"	Coney	"	"	7.00
27.00	"	Seal Collar	"	"	20.00
20.00	"	Sable	"	"	15.00
18.90	"	"	"	"	13.00
12.00	"	"	"	"	8.00
20.00	"	Bear	"	"	14.00
22.00	"	Beaver	"	"	15.00
8.00	"	"	"	"	5.50
9.00	"	Russian	"	"	6.50
9.00	"	B Opp	"	"	6.50
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7.00	"	Coon	"	"	4.50
3.50	"	Coney	"	"	2.50
8.00	"	G. Lamb	"	"	5.50
26.00	"	S. Muff	"	"	20.00
18.00	"	Bear	"	"	13.00
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18.00	"	Beaver	"	"	13.00
16.00	"	"	"	"	11.50
8.00	"	"	"	"	5.50
7.00	"	Russian	"	"	4.75
13.00	"	Persian L.	"	"	11.50
13.00	"	"	"	"	10.50
8.00	"	Grey	"	"	5.50
5.00	"	Coon	"	"	3.00
1.00	"	Oppos.	"	"	2.75
3.50	"	"	"	"	2.25
20.00	Ladies and	Cents Seal Caps	"	"	15.00
12.00	"	P. Lamb	"	"	9.00
11.00	"	"	"	"	8.00
10.00	"	"	"	"	6.50
8.00	"	"	"	"	5.75
7.00	"	"	"	"	4.75
5.00	"	Astrachan	"	"	3.50
5.00	"	Dog skin	"	"	3.50
4.50	"	"	"	"	3.00
12.00	"	Beaver	"	"	8.00
6.00	"	"	"	"	4.00
5.00	"	"	"	"	3.25
5.00	"	Russian	"	"	3.25
16.00	Mens	Goat Coats	"	"	11.50
27.00	"	"	Australian bear	"	18.00
20.00	"	"	"	"	15.00
15.00	"	Coon	"	"	11.00

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—An enormous block of warehouses on old Gravel Lane, London, was burned yesterday. Loss, £250,000. Six firemen working near the sulphur tanks were nearly suffocated.

William O'Brien has written a letter in which he vehemently protests against the eviction of tenants that is impending upon several estates in counties Sligo and Mayo. He makes a strong appeal to John Morley to prevent the "sordid, wicked business."

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Mr. Gladstone dined at Windsor Castle last night, with the Queen, Grand Duke Sergius of Russia and Lord Rosebery, Minister of Foreign Affairs. Her Majesty and Mr. Gladstone discussed the question of the post laureanship. It is understood the Queen will not open parliament in person.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—The Berlin Times correspondent says if the acceptance of the Jesuit bill is the price of the Centrist's support of the Government it bodes ill for Count von Czerny. It would raise a storm of popular indignation far exceeding that created by the educational bill of Count von Zeppelin. Count von Lisow, the *Chambre des Députés*, asserts that even if the Government accepts the Jesuit bill it cannot get the support of the Centrists for the Army bill.

London, Dec. 1.—Some of the papers build great expectations on the new Canadian steamship service. The *Leeds Mercury* says that thirty six hours of sea voyage will be saved in the route between Halifax and England as compared with the to New York route. The *Mercury* advises the adoption of Milford Haven as the English port of the line, and says that the new service would be an immense agency in promoting Imperial federation; and in time would wrest the supremacy of the Atlantic from America.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—At Bolton yesterday evening two daughters of a schoolmaster named Burgess, while walking home, were assailed by a man whom they did not know. The girls resisted the stranger's conduct and he followed and assaulted them. They defended themselves with their umbrellas, and some people, attracted by their outcry, came to their assistance. The stranger fled, pursued by the crowd, and, seeing that he was being overaken, drew a sharp knife from his pocket and cut his throat. He cut the tassel vein and bled to death in a few minutes. There was nothing on his person to lead to his identification.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—Capt. Alexander P. Hastings, C.B., and Comander D. Division, of the British armored battleship Howe, which went ashore on Porriño at the entrance to Ferrol Harbor, Spain, on November 2d, were honorably acquitted by court-martial convened to fix the responsibility of the wreck. It was proved in testimony that the captain was not responsible for the use of the vessel as a coasting old and inaccurate. The evidence is showing much indignation against the Admiralty for permitting such a ship to be vessel to run such risks for want of an accurate chart.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—Gladstone has lost temporarily at least, another seat in Parliament to Patrick Fullan, anti-Populist Member for South Wexford, who was unseated by the finding of the count and the election voided. This decision is based upon charges of electoral irregularities on behalf of the anti-Populist and other illegal practices. Fullan received 2,212 votes at the recent election, 2,128 for J. P. Dalton, the Liberal candidate. The election was sharply contested, and all the influence of the clergy were thrown in behalf of the anti-Populist. Mr. Fullan is a member of the Douglas Board of Trade and the son of a Meath fatigued.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Joseph Mellor was sentenced to death by a Manchester court to death for having murdered his wife early in September. He has written a letter to the effect that Lizzie Sutherland, a young unmarried woman, plotted the murder with him in order that he might free to marry her. Mrs. Sutherland says she is very sorry that she did not even know he was married. She says that she loved him with love with a woman, and he replied that he knew he had been a fool and had lived with a woman for he never would do it again. They had made no preparation for marriage at "Waltham," says Miss Sutherland. "We should have married him had everything went on all right. He told me he was going to straighten up, and I told him he should have to do so if he intended to have me. He never told me that he had lived with this woman and I did not think he did. Many people told me that he was a married man, but as married me differently and that I should be all right in going with him. He has never given me money or anything." Despite this statement, the Simpleson girl is under surveillance, and Miller's statements will be investigated.

JAY GOULD IS DYING.

New York, Dec. 2—3 a.m.—Jay Gould is unconscious and may die at any moment.

Mr. Gould may be called the Napoleon of American finance. He was born in Roxbury, Delaware county, New York, and is now about fifty-five (55) years old. He is rather a small man of dark complexion, dark eyes and hair, and usually wears a short, black full beard. He is quiet taciturn, not given to many words, nor to letting his opinion appear in his face or in his actions. Born of poor parents he had simply a plain country school education, but was anxious to become of some consequence in the world, and early turned his attention to civil engineering, in which he became quite proficient; in fact he made the first official map of Delaware county, which became the standard, and has remained such ever since. In this way he made his first two hundred dollars. He is domestic in his habits, and is strongly attached to his family and his home. His city residence is on Fifth Avenue, New York, and he also has an elegant country seat on the right bank of the Hudson, near Yonkers. Mr. Gould may be roughly estimated to be worth about one hundred millions of dollars.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Navigations on the St. Lawrence is closed. James Connell, a black driver in Hamilton, has been left \$16,000 by an aunt in Dayton, Ohio.

The inquiry in the famous case of Currie, for refusal of baptism, was commenced in the superior court on Tuesday. The C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending Nov. 30 amounted to \$641,000. For the corresponding week last year they were \$570,000.

The five-year-old son of Joseph Humphrey, Hamilton, was recently shot in the thigh by his brother with a gun which he did not know was loaded.

Judge Moore has resigned his seat on the Council of Public Instruction, Quebec, and it is probable that he will be succeeded by Hon. Thomas Chapais.

Judgment has been given in the Chisholm contested election case. The preliminary objections made by the sitting member were sustained, and he was confirmed in his seat.

The Toronto Street Railway company has informed the city that the whole of the system will be operated by electricity next year. This will mean the repaving next year of thirty odd miles of track at a cost of \$500,000.

H. A. Massy has announced his intention of raising a sum of money for the purpose of providing a site and erecting a handsome music hall in the city, provided he receives a guarantee that running expenses will be raised. A public meeting has been called to discuss the plan.

William Gibson, M.P., for Lincoln, has concluded negotiations for the purchase of Walkerville, Amherst, and Sandwich electric railway. The price is said to be \$160,000. It is believed that he is acting for Hendrie of Hamilton. The change of ownership will be beneficial.

News comes of privation along the western shore of Nova Scotia, on account of the failure of fisheries. There was no hair when the fish made their appearance as bait became abundant the fish disappeared. The winter has only begun, and already there are signs that aid will be required to prevent distress.

OTTAWA, Nov. 29.—H. R. Ives, M.P., to-day accepted the offer of a portfolio. He arrives here on Friday. Lieut.-Gov. Angus is likely to be the new minister. Today it is stated as among the possibilities that Hon. John Carling will be squeezed out between now and the meeting of parliament. Hon. Mr. Chapleau has returned from Montreal, but declined to be interviewed. His friends are urging him to remain, but without avail.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The freedom of the city of Liverpool was to-day conferred upon the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone. The streets were thronged with people and Mr. Gladstone received a most cordial ovation, being cheered over and over again on his way from the railroad station to the town hall. A presentation was made in due and ancient form. Mr. Gladstone delivered an address in which he bade the municipal institutions in general and those of Liverpool in particular,

TOMORROW, Nov. 30.—The auditorium was well filled to-night by the audience that gathered there to listen to the address of Gen. R. Parkinson, M.A., of New Brunswick, on "Imperial Federation." Touching on the question of political union with the U. S. Mr. Parkinson said it was not a recognizable issue. Five millions of Canadians would never merge themselves with a nation containing eight millions of negroes, whose votes might at any time plunge them into war with the mother country. Dalton McCurdy, one of the most prominent of Canadian Conservatives, said that annexation could never be brought about by a vote of the people. There was no constitutional power to compel him to be some an American citizen. Mr. Cook, a Conservative member of parliament, said that it was scarcely credible that it should be necessary to dismiss the question of annexation. He could not conceive it possible that any people should seriously contemplate national suicide.

DONCASTER, N. B., Dec. 1.—The execution of Eddie Black Glass took place here at 9:35 this morning. The condemned man slept soundly the greater part of the night and this morning ate a hearty breakfast. Father Conner attended throughout the night and in the morning administered holy communion. The prisoner was composed and resigned to his fate. To the clergy and ladies who have ministered to him since he has been under sentence of death he has expressed his entire penitence and readiness for a future state. To a reporter this morning he said: "I'll be d—d glad to get out of this place." Altogether he is a remarkable man. The Buck and his conduct on the scaffold and elsewhere gives the impression that he is the remorseless tramp he wished it believed he is, but a noted criminal, most likely a burglar. The only person, besides the clergy, who passed the night with him, was the death watch, stationed in the corridor.

CALGARY.

Dr. Collings, formerly of Fort Qu'Appelle, is now located here. A small amount of sulphur has been mined on the Saskatchewan this year. Mr. Joseph Bell, the new Y. M. C. A. secretary, takes charge about December 7th.

Rev. H. E. W. and wife were presented with an almsbox and many useful and handsome gifts by their friends in the Baptist church a few evenings back.

DR PRICE'S
Cream Baking Powder.

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PROVINCIAL and TERRITORIAL.

Miss Simpson, of Medicine Hat Hospital, and Miss Walker, of Dunnmore School, have left for Aberdeen.

The elevator of the grain exchange and the board of trade met yesterday afternoon in Winnipeg and discussed the situation fully. Although nothing definite was decided, it was generally understood that the erection of an elevator of about 1,000,000 bushel capacity will be the result. The railroad authorities have yet to be seen to ascertain what assistance they will give in the matter.

Leading wholesale merchants in the hardware, grocery and clothing lines spoke yesterday on the question of payments from country merchants, stating that money was being collected without much trouble but that after Christmas the financial condition of the wholesale trade would not be so brisk. Low prices for wheat and the heavy clearances from implement men were regarding the general run of property, but a nobler effort to meet their legitimate debts was never made by the merchants of any country.

The eleven-year-old boy, Krasenka, was brought before Colonel Peebles yesterday on the charge of stealing five watches from his employer, Barron. Mr. MacLean, of the attorney general's department, appeared for the prosecution, but the boy pleaded guilty, and no evidence was submitted. Col. Peebles gave the boy a wholesome lecture and discharged him to come up for judgment when called on.

A copy of the Bilston, Eng., Observer received by the Free Press contains an exhaustive report of a lecture on Canada, delivered before the Bilston Liberal club, by J. T. Homer, formerly of Russell, this province. Dealing with his "social and political" reminiscences of Canada, he said that the Dominion was an evidence of the existence of a complete system of home rule in an English dependency. In conclusion, Mr. Homer said, that the people in Canada were kind, religious and hospitable; they rejoiced in the privilege of being full citizens, and a great future of happiness and prosperity was before them. In many things Canadians could give them points for their better government at home, and before long he hoped to see many more of our own.

The Regina Leader is dissatisfied and wants a new grain standard. It says: "It is now time that we took steps to free the name and fame of the Territories from the danger of being swamped by Manitoba. Regina wheat inspected at Winkler is graded there as No. 1. Manitoba extra. This nomenclature appears the more ridiculous when we consider that Manitoba cannot this year produce wheat of this grade. Why should not wheat such as we in Regina produce be graded as No. 1. Regina extra? We are informed by one of our leading grain men that his firm is constantly in receipt of letters asking for consignment of Regina wheat, which, as we have intimated before, is at present the best in the market. We commend this matter to the consideration of those who have the choosing of our grain standards."

A well known Winnipeg druggist was the victim of a couple of "film flams" or sharp change sharpeners who have struck the town recently. One of them entered the druggist's shop yesterday, and, producing a lot of small change, asked the clerk to give him big bills for it. He said he had twenty dollars and the clerk passed him two ten dollar bills, which the sharpie proceeded to seal up in an envelope, remarking that he wanted to send the money away. When the change was counted the clerk found it two dollars short. Gathering it all up the sharper threw back the sealed envelope and walked out remarking, "My chum is just outside; I'll get the balance from him." As the fellow did not return the clerk opened the envelope and was astonished to find it contained blank paper instead of the ten dollar bills. That the dispenser of drugs is out just twenty dollars. The police advise people to be on their guard for these "film flams."

REGINA.

We now boast of a first-class restaurant.

A by-law to raise \$2,000 for current expenses has been introduced in council.

The Northwest Assembly has been called together for business on Dec. 7th.

The quasibible club has been reorganized and will hold an inaugural ball on December 2nd.

Mr. John Dawson like many other old friends, has found his way back to Regina and has commenced business at the old stand.

Mr. J. J. Young, who has assumed editor of the new newspaper enterprise at Moose Jaw, will be missed in musical circles here.

A heavy windstorm swept the Regina district on Tuesday and Wednesday, and piled the thin blanket of snow which the prairie is hardly covered into drifts.

Mr. Edmund Pearson Brown, of the N.W.M.P., was married on Thursday evening at Christ church, Macdonald, to this lady, lady principal of the Macdonald public school. The Rev. Rural Dean Hilton officiated. Miss Jessie Eason was the maid of honor, while the groom was supported by Sgt. Murris of the N.W.M.P.

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THIS delicious confection is nicely calculated to produce dyspepsia, heartburn, bilious troubles and headache. Burdock Blood Bitters is equally well calculated to cure these troubles and has proved its powers in hundreds of cases. B. B. regulates and purifies the entire system.



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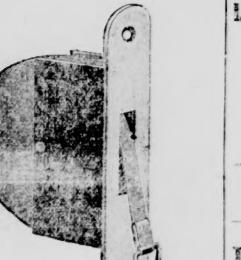
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LOCAL NEWS.

J. A. Hector, of Methven, was in town.

R. M. McVinish went out to Belmont last week.

H. C. Graham, M.P.P., was in the city last week.

Dr. Salmonson, of Wawanesa, was in the city last week.

James B. Chambers, of Wawanesa, was a visitor to our city last week.

N. Boyd, M. P. P., of Carberry, spent a few days in the city last week.

Miss McDonald, of Toronto, is paying a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Kirchoffner.

It is rumored about town that young Mulligan, of the asylum, has skipped out.

During the absence of Mr. Bell in Ontario Dr. Fraser will have charge of the asylum.

The first carnival of the season will be held at the Brandon Skating Rink on or about the 16th.

The new president of the provincial Y. M. C. A. is the Rev. A. H. Finch, of Portage la Prairie.

Bell Bros. new brick house on Louise ave, which was occupied by Mr. G. Wood has been sold to Mrs. Dickenson.

Mr. J. Ball, general secretary of Calvary Y.M.C.A., is to be in the city Saturday and Sunday, when he will address the local Y.M.C.A.

We are glad to hear that Miss Gilliland, nurse at the Hospital, who has been laid up for a long time with typhoid fever, is improving fast.

The license commissioners for the district met in the city last week to consider the application of John Colum, of Griswold, and O. K. Jones, of Elkhorn.

Crawford Bros. intend starting at once a steam laundry in the city. The most improved and expensive machinery has been purchased by these live young men.

Mrs. D. M. Card and daughter from Ontario and Mrs. Phillips, of Montana, wives of Mr. D. M. Card, are visiting at Moses, Gao, Card's and Wm. Parrish's this evening.

Mr. J. A. Christie left by Saturday's train for Toronto. Mr. Christie goes there to visit his daughter, Miss Christie, who has been very ill, but who, we are glad to say, is recovering.

The Treasures of Brandon General Hospital wishes to acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the Hospital: Glenwood Masonic Lodge concert, \$100; M. S. N. Bryan, Souris, \$10; Myersville Patron of Industry, \$5.

Ticket agents are now to be seen on the street corner button holding the prospective traveller. Mr. John C. Todd was the first man to sell a "Xmas" excursion ticket on Monday and is proud of the fact that he has the honor of putting the first foot forward.

Mr. Spencer Wells, who has been absent from the city for a few days, returned Friday morning, having shot 37 brace of chickens and some rabbits and hares. Mr. Wells says there is a considerable amount of grain in the Oak River district yet unmarketed.

Moosa Borchill & Howey had five elk hanging outside their shop last week. They are all shot in the Pembina mountain country. We were, however, sorry to observe that each was a doe. It seems a pity that the doe does not prevent the family of deer from being more than it does.

Notice: Senator Borden will lecture on the principles of Free Trade as applied to Canadian commerce in the City Hall, Brandon, on Thursday evening, the 12th Dec., at 7.30 o'clock. Admissions 25 cents. Ladies free. Funds to be applied to the purpose of a Free Trade League.

The members of the A.O.U.W. have secured the services of Nicholls, Daven, M. P., of Regina, to lecture in the city on Dec. 8th. Mr. Daven is to deliver his celebrated lecture, "The British House of Commons as I know it." As the lecture has a Dominion reputation it is expected that he will be greeted with a full house.

Mr. Hartney, accompanied by his foreman, intends leaving shortly for a trip through the United States for the purpose of seeing any improvements in machinery that may be adapted to his business, and should he find such, his intention is to purchase a similar outfit, and so make his mill second to none in the province.

A club has been formed by some of our sporting men, to be known as the Brandon Ice Club. It is their intention to clear off a mile track on the river and have races during the winter. The membership tickets are only \$2. Mr. Peter Payne of the Bomber House, has been elected secretary of the club, and any one wishing to join can do so by calling on him and paying the fee.

The St. Andrew's Society of this city did not honor their patron saint by a dinner or any public demonstration on St. Andrew's Day. The Secretary of the Society, Mr. Sinclair, sent the following telegram to Winnipeg, bemoaning the absence of a large crowd:—"Brandon, Nov. 30, To St. Andrew's Men and British Clansmen of the West, Winnipeg. We wish ye pleasure at your feast. May every member of your clan be each to each a brother man. We clasmanen of the great Wheat City pray we upon us take pity. Think on a tie tight we pray ye, for weel ye ken nae haggis ha' we."

Dr. Spencer's scheme of a water-power for the city of Brandon meant not a little to the future of the city. It is the intention of some of the ratepayers to ask the council to have the level of that portion of the city traversed by the Assiniboine, with the object of making use of a power which is apparently going to waste.

Dr. Spencer has suggested the feasibility of the scheme to experts all of whom have expressed themselves favorably. It is thought that by building a dyke 15 feet high across the Assiniboine at a point where the river crosses 5th street, and running north half a mile a lake would be formed one mile square and with sufficient depth to give a waterfall which it is expected would supply sufficient force to drive a dozen mill plants.

The portion of the city which it is intended to flood was covered with water in 1882, the steamer from Winnipeg passing easily over it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fraser are leaving for Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Branley have returned to Elkhorn.

Rev. Mr. Walker and Dr. Stewart, of Griswold, recently visited this city.

Mr. Durst left last week for Spokane Falls, where she will remain the greater part of the winter.

A well known merchant of this city intends starting in the pork packing business on an extensive scale.

On Tuesday evening last the band again played at the Rink, which was largely attended by an enthusiastic crowd of skaters.

Shorthand classes at the Academy, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, taught by Miss Glendenning. Either Isaac or Ben Pitman system.

Under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. the Rev. R. G. MacBeth, of Winnipeg, will lecture on the 24th of January, the subject being "General Gordon."

Messrs. Dalmage & Frizzell, butchers, have a large consignment of turkeys, fowl, etc., coming in this week, 270 head in all. At present they have a fine stock on hand of beef, mutton, pork, and poultry.

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J. Mallabar is about to remove his grocery business to the premises occupied by J. T. Somerville, who will move into the former Syndicate block. Johnson & Co., hardware merchants, intend moving into the store now occupied by Wilson & Smyth, who, together with Adams Bros. and J. A. Grundy, will open out in the Syndicate block. J. E. Ayleworth, will remove to the premises occupied by J. Mallabar. Messrs. Mitchell & Drown will move one door west of their present premises.

HOOVER'S GRAND REPOSITORY SALE—Saturday, December 10th, at 2 p.m. Without reserve, two valuable quarter sections. The northeast quarter of 31-15, two miles northeast of Curry's Landing, known as the "Gourlay Farm." The southwest quarter of 20-12-17, known as the "Lewis Farm," a few miles from Forest Station, on the Great Northwest Central. And a long list of chattels. The Alexander Burns property on Princess ave will be offered for sale or exchanged.—W. H. Hoover, Auctioneer and Real Estate and Commission Agent.

The lecture to be given by Senator Boulton on "Free Trade as applied to Canadian Commerce" should be well attended. The gallant Senator is well known throughout the province as a good and fluent speaker, and his long residence in, and knowledge of the wants of, Manitoba give to his words a weight and value far beyond that of ordinary speakers. Parties holding diametrically opposite opinions should attend and hear the Major's views, though they may possibly not agree with the conclusions expressed, the manner in which they are given sure to please. The Major is in possession of a large amount of information on the subject, and we have no doubt the lecture will be an interesting one.

In an application in the Brandon City election case before Judge Kilam last week by way of summons calling on the respondent to show cause why the preliminary objections should not be dismissed and discharged because no summons or appointment had been served for the disposition of the preliminary objections, or to show cause why in the event of the presiding judge being of opinion that such an order should not be made a time should not be fixed for the hearing determining and disposing of the preliminary objections, his Lordship discharged the summons with costs to be set off the petition. Wilson for petitioner, Alfens, Q. C., and Colin Campbell for respondent.

*Life without labor is guilt;
Labor without art is brutality."
Ruskin.

Labor and art are blended in the busy and enchanting room occupied by our neighbor Hooper, one door west of our sanctum. The great slaughter for sale is a drawing card, and fairly promises to become a permanent institution.

Dayly and nightly the chaste tones of a dinner gong mingle with the uplifted and sonorous voice of a son of the frost-girt Iceland, who splits the air with "Austion Sale" as the Norse God Thor did the bergs with his hammer.

Thousands of dollars worth of rare, costly and beautiful furs crowd the large and commodious room. The floor is studded with individual tables piled with magnificent furs of all descriptions. The walls are draped with sables, otter, bear, South Sea seal, tiger skins and bear skins; from between which stand out in marked contrast, and with striking effect, some forty or fifty art subjects in water color, pastel and photography.

The well-filled place, and bargains, attest the genuineness of the slaughter.

This is an opportunity! Even hard times have an antidote! Drop in and see for yourselves.

MARKETS.

The undermentioned prices are being paid to farmers, for the following articles:

Beef, (live weight).....	2½ to 3 c.
Mutton.....	3 to 5½ c.
Lamb.....	5½ to 6 c.
Pork.....	4 to 4½ c.
Butter.....	15 to 17 c.
Eggs, per doz.....	15 to 17 c.
Potatoes, 1 bush.....	20 to 22 c.
Carrots.....	14 to 15 c.
Parley, no price quoted.	
Wheat, No. 1 hard.....	48 c.
Wheat, No. 2 hard.....	46 c.

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STRAYED.

STRAYED from Brandon, on Nov. 12, one dark brown male dog, four white tags also bay collar. Is not the odd black point. Information will greatly oblige. Call at my office, 10-12-17, or at my home at 10-12-17. Open 10-12-17. His master is very anxious to find him and has not met with foul play. Any information as to his whereabouts will be greatly appreciated and any reasonable expense paid to locate him by wire or written particulars to

DANIEL FIVE FOSTER,
Brandon, Man.

MISSING.

A NOLD MAN, 65 years of age, with full grey whiskers, 5 ft. 7 in. height, with dark hair, blue eyes, wearing a black coat with white star on shoulder and red neck band with white collar and black points, with white star on shoulder and red neck band with white collar and black points. He is a retired citizen of Brandon, and has been a resident of Brandon for 20 years. His friends are very anxious to find him and fear he has met with foul play. Any information as to his whereabouts will be greatly appreciated and any reasonable expense paid to locate him by wire or written particulars to

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" 10.00 Plain Beaver Cloth	" 6.75
" 7.00 "	" " 4.75
" 5.50 "	" " 3.65

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